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MASS MEETING.

A mass meeting was held last Friday, which was of interest to all those who attended.

Prof. Frame announced the names of those who were elected to Phi Kappa Phi, honor society, being the seven men of the Senior Class having the highest grades for four years. The pledges were as follows: B. L. Browning, J. N. Fleming, C. L. Lindsly, Wm. Godwin, J. M. Pasley, R. D. Ward, and Jim Westguard.

After the pledging was over Doctor Fulton introduced the speaker of the morning, Deean Scarlett, of Christ Church, St. Louis, who spoke on the theme, "A Necessary Step For Peace."

The talk was a most interesting one, as Dean Scarlett touched one of the most vital points of international concern, that of word peace. Dean Scarlet has been to Europe and made a study of the situation and some of the points that he brought out in his talk were most interesting, having come from one who has first hand information.

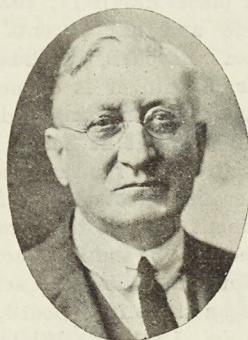
The theme, or appeal of his talk was for a better connection or more closer relations between nations. The world has changed since 1914 and no longer desires war, but should look for a possible way to prevent all wars in the future.

America did a great wrong to Europe by withdrawing from the League of Nations and only created unrest and mistrust among the Nations. It created a feeling of insecurity in France, which forced her to assume the Rhur policy, that has turned out unfortunately. It created a feeling of mistrust in Germany because she fears that France and her other allies are not living up to their part of the Treaty of Versailles.

Dean Scarlett said that Europe was slowly reverting to barbarism, and that instead of advancing as they had before, were now slowly on the retrograde. The world has been more closely connected physically in the

PROF. DEAN RESIGNS AS SECRETARY OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

There are many things in the sinuous course of human events that have



to be met, though deeply regretted, with the fond hope that they could have been otherwise.

The task of informing our alumni of the resignation of Prof. George R. Dean as secretary of the Alumni Association is just such a thing. Prof. Dean in tendering his resignation, feels that he has neglected his private interests while serving as an official of the Association, and that the first duty of a professor is his obligations connected with his teaching, or work closely allied; that anything not connected with the college curricula is an outside interest of secondary importance.

Prof. Dean has served as secretary from the time of the Association's inception in 1921. He has labored with an altruistic devotion for the Association through the trying and uncertain days of infancy, and he has seen it grow from a mere possibility to an established certainty. While we do not realize the magnitude of Prof. Dean's work in its entirety, we fully realize and we appreciate the magnanimity of his sacrifices for the work which he undertook.

Prof. Dean has resigned, but tho his name may be erased from the list of officers, the work which he undertook, and the trials and tribulations which he has undergone in the interest of the Association are indelibly imprinted in the records and the history of the Alumni Association of the Missouri School of Mines.

BASEBALL SERIES STARTS.

Barring inclement weather, the Bonanza nine will cross bats with the Kappa Sigma diamond performers in the first game of the intramural league championship. In last year's series these teams met in the semi-finals, and the Bonanzas emerged from the fray with a 6 to 4 victory, and the prospects are again in sight for another hard fought tussle when the "play ball" signal is given Monday.

A complete schedule of 45 games has been arranged, and after the initial game the others will be played in order, or, in case of postponement, be played off at the end of the regular season.

The schedule and the team letters follow: A, Bonanza; B, Kappa Sigma; C, Sigma Nu; D, Pi Kappa Alpha; E, Grubstakers; F, Faculty; G, Prospectors; H, Lambda Chi Alpha; I, Independents; J, Kappa Alpha.

Games in order: 1. A-B; 2, C-D; 3, E-F; 4, G-H; 5, I-J; 6, A-C; 7, D-B; 8, G-E; 9, H-F; 10, A-I; 11, J-C; 12, E-B; 13, G-D; 14, I-F; 15, J-H; 16, A-E; 17, B-C; 18, D-F; 19, G-I; 20, A-H; 21, J-B; 22, D-E; 23, C-I; 24, F-G; 25, B-H; 26, A-J; 27, D-I; 28, C-E; 29, B-G; 30, F-J; 31, H-I; 32, A-D; 33, C-G; 34, E-J; 35, B-F; 36, D-H; 37, E-I; 38, A-G; 39, C-F; 40, D-J; 41, B-I; 42, E-H; 43, A-F; 44, B-J; 45, C-H.

— M S M —

NOTICE SENIORS.

Attention of the seniors is called to the list of names on the bulletin board stating the course in which the office has you registered. If this list is in error you should come to the office at once and have it remedied or this course will be put on your diploma.

Seniors who are interested in working for the government are requested to look at the notice of the Civil Service examinations posted in Parker Hall bulletin board. Applications for such jobs should be turned in before March 28th. Those interested may receive blanks at Doc Armsby's office.

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TRACK CANDIDATES.

Track as a sport in M. S. M. is about to fall into discard unless the spirit at the beginning of the season is revived. Over thirty track and field event candidates put in appearance at the opening of the track season and have since dwindled down to an even dozen men who report at all regularly for practice.

Coach Dennie had expectations of one of the strongest track teams put on the cinder path by the Miners for quite awhile. "Spike" based his hopes on the return of last year's letter men and several new men who would prove valuable track men as judged by their past performances.

The thing called "school spirit" is an elusive phrase to define but an even dozen men out for a major sport at a college of three hundred and fifty students undoubtedly shows a decrease in fighting spirit. We undergraduates hear the graduates of M. S. M. laud the fighting spirit that predominated school activities in their four year sojourn at M. S. M.

The men who signed up for track and failed to go out for practice are excellent examples of the loss of "pep" in M. S. M. athletics. Two meets are scheduled away from home with Washington University at St. Louis and Springfield Teachers at Springfield. Will we be forced to acknowledge ourselves lacking in fight by cancelling these meets through lack of candidates. If such is the case the "old Miner fight" will be accented in the future on the first word.

The following bulletin has been issued by Coach Dennie:

Unless we immediately have more candidates out for the track team, the Athletic Association will consider the elimination of track from athletic activities as it is useless to try to make a track team from a dozen men. Thirty men signed up for track. These men and more should report immediately for regular practice. Practice during inclement weather will be held in the gymnasium.

—M S M—
SCANDAL.

According to reliable information very few automobiles park on the road near Noel Hubbards home. We do not know whether this condition has been brought about by the poor condition of the road or the fact that Noel has cut down the trees near the road.

—M S M—
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BIG MINER DANCE.

With the after effects of St. Pats slowly passing away, the mending of broken hearts etc., the Miner is going to throw a red hot dance Saturday night March 28th, to help the gang recuperate from the downcast feeling which they have had since She left. The Varsity Orchestra will attempt to rival the Varsity Club Orchestra in syncopating music and it has all the earmarks of a lively affair.

—M S M—
BURKE-SLESSINGER.

The Miner has just received news of the marriage of Stephen M. Burke '23, to Miss Anne Camille Slessinger which took place March 17, 1925.

The bride and her parents are from Santa Barbara, Chihuahua, Mexico. Mr. Slessinger is connected with the American Smelting and Refining Company unit at Santa Barbara. "Steve" will be remembered by the old-timers in school as one of the most prominent men on the campus. He was a member of the Prospectors, S. T. K., Mercier Club and served three years on the Miner Board, being Editor in 1921-22. While in school "Steve" was always a big booster for M. S. M. and his activities along that line have not slackened in the least since his graduation.

The young couple will spend their honeymoon in California after which they will make their home in Mexico where "Steve" is employed.

The Miner extends to "Steve" and his bride the best wishes of a host of friends and the hope that the future has in store for them many years of wedded bliss.

—M S M—
THE WHY OF RADIO.

The Thursday night lecture at Parker Hall was given last week by Prof. F. H. Frame, head of the Electrical Engineering Department M. S. M. His subject was "Principles of Radiophone Receivers." Although this lecture was necessarily a little more technical than the preceding ones, the subject was presented logically and in order, so that the layman was able to follow it throughout without getting lost. The principles of electricity and the radio were taken up, and the entire field covered from Ohm's Law to the Super-heterodyne. Excellent slides, showing analogies between pipe lines and electrical conductors, were presented. By means of other analogies and efficient exposition, the basic principles were presented simply and to the entire satisfaction of the large and appreciative audience.

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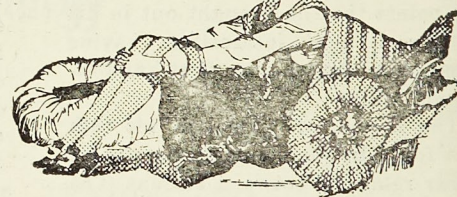
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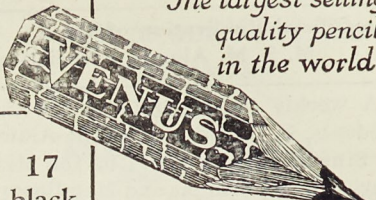
Trials will be held Sunday afternoon, March 29, at 2:30, in Parker Hall. All those interested should be at the try-outs.

— M S M —

"THE PSYCHOLOGY OF LOVE"

What promises to be one of the most popular of the weekly general scientific lectures given this semester will be presented on Thursday evening, March 26th, by Prof. S. H. Lloyd. Psychology, like evolution, is of extremely popular interest at the present time, as is evidenced by the popularity of Prof. Lloyd's class in historical psychology. This lecture promises to bring out a record-breaking attendance, due to the advertising given it by many future male and female engineers and by St. Pat himself.

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WRITE A LETTER HOME.

It seems ages and ages ago since we first took leave of the old home fireside to build a foundation upon which our future success or failure is to rest. It seems as if many years have gone by since we first bade the folks at home good-bye, and we noticed the longing look in their eyes as they wished us success and left with us the request to write.

We intended, and faithfully so, to comply with their request, but the passing of time has hardened us in many ways. Too prone are we, with the fleeting years, to make little of the anxiety of one whose interest and heartfelt longing for us never slackens. We never realized, and perhaps we never will fully comprehend, the priceless value of a letter home.

Stop a moment in the mad whirl of human events, stop a moment when everything seems against you, pause even when you haven't time

for anything else and write a letter home and to mother.

Stop a moment in your mad rush for success and the accumulation of worldly goods and remember her whose love for you should be one of your guiding lights on the rocky road of success to the Isle of Honored Men.

THE LETTER.

By Edgar A. Guest.

The postman whistled down the street
And seemed to walk on lighter feet,
And as he stepped inside her gate
He knew he carried precious freight;
He knew that day he carried joy—
He had the letter from her boy.

Day after day he'd kept his pace
And seen her careworn gentle face,
She watched for him to come, and
took

The papers with an anxious look.
But disappointment followed hope—
She missed the one glad envelope.

He stopped to chat with her awhile
And saw the sadness of her smile,
He fancied he could hear her sigh
The morning that he traveled by;
He knew that when tomorrow came
She would be waiting just the same.

The boy who was so far away
Could never hear her gently say:
"Well, have you brought good news
to me?"

Her eager face he could not see.
Or note the lines of anxious care
As every day she waited there.

But when he wrote, on lighter feet
The happy postman walked the street;
"Well, here it is, at last," he'd shout,
"To end the worry and the doubt."
The robin on the maple limb
Began to sing: "She's heard from him."

Her eyes with joy began to glow,
The neighbors round her seemed to
know

That with the postman at the door
Sweet peace had come to her once
more.

When letters bring so much delight,
Why do the sons forget to write?

— M S M —

Editor of the Missouri Miner:

The Committee on Engineering Education was greatly interested in the editorial contained in your last issue, entitled, "Is M. S. M. the Ideal Mining School?"

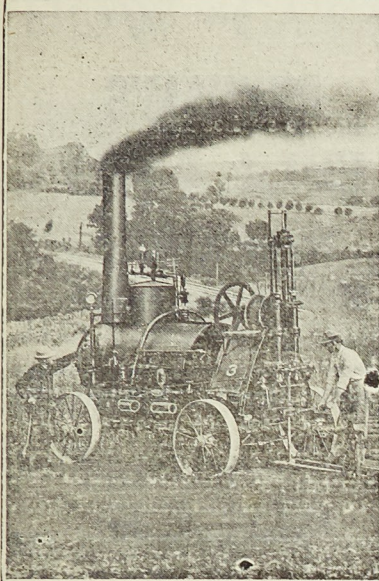
The question you proposed in your

last paragraph, "What is a teacher?" is one which is of very great interest to the Committee on Engineering Education, to the students, and to the faculty. Some go so far as to say that a school is what its teachers make it. It will be of interest to you and the students generally, perhaps, to know that the Committee has been making something of an extended study of teachers, their qualifications, their economic status, their preparation for teaching, and so on. The results of these studies are not as yet in shape for publication, but we are able to give you a few facts taken from a questionnaire which was recently submitted to graduates of M. S. M., all classes from 1924 back to 1874. A tabulation of 100 of these questionnaires has been made, with the following results:

1. Place numerals 1, 2, 3, etc., indicating your idea of the prime qualifications of the teacher in an engineering college in their order of importance. The following are arranged in the order of importance:

Votes

- 1—Theoretical knowledge of his subject 97
- 2—Demonstrated ability to teach 86
- 3—Sympathy with students, judgment and good sense in such contracts..... 86
- 4—Practical engineering experience 81
- 5—Good moral character..... 80
- 6—Practical working knowledge of his subject 80
- 7—Love for research in eng. and science..... 59
- 8—"Mixter," polish, manners, social activity 59
- 9—Basic training in business side of engineering..... 63
- 10—Ability to command a good salary 48
- 11—Engineering degrees Dr. Eng., Sc. Dc. D., E. E., E. M., M. E., C. E. 46
- 12—General interest in community affairs, in national affairs 46
- 13—Years of practical training in teaching 46
- 14—Liking for athletics and college sports 42
- 15—Love for outdoor life in general 42
- 16—Specific training in principles of pedagogy..... 37
- 17—Degree of Doctor of Philosophy 33
- 18—B. S. degree in engineering.. 31
- 19—Basic "A. B." training, cultural subjects 31
- 20—No practical engineering ex-



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perience or knowledge..... 19

The following outstanding answers were given:

(a) Encourage research work on their part so they can advance themselves and become more valuable.

(b) Grant leaves, so they may broaden themselves by study, practice and travel.

(c) Keep them "on their toes" with respect to latest developments in industry—not only in one special branch. "Avoid the classroom rut."

(d) Send them into the field during the summer months.

(e) Introduce a course in "Engineering Education."

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(f) The college should see that the moral standards of young teachers is kept up.

(g) Require study in pedagogy and engineering education, and encourage contacts with humanity and practical engineering.

(h) Require every teacher to demonstrate his ability in an "engineering" or other way before teaching in an Engineering school.

(i) Allow bonus for attendance on summer school at some other university.

At the present time the committee

has no comments to make on these answers, nor has it formulated any definite conclusion in respect to them.

Yours very truly,

CLAIR V. MANN,

Chairman.

—M S M—

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last few years so that it makes the world a place in which one can easily go from one place to another far distant in a short time. With all the closer intercourse among the nations there can only be one way to success—that of closer relations between

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—M S M—
WHO'S WHO.

The "State where the tall corn grows" has sent a number of her products to M. S. M., including Prof. Hinsch and "Spike" Guy, and she has one here now who believes as the others, that there is no place like Iowa. We are dealing with a difficult problem when we attempt to write a "Who's Who" on the Editor of the Miner, since ordinarily it would pass thru his hands, but if our scheme works out, it will be printed. Although he goes by the name of Gorman, we have heard it said that some time, either in the Cambrian or Pre-Cambrian period of geologic time, the name was O'Gorman. The reason for dropping the O' we have never been able to find out unless the present form is an alias. The Editor of a paper is required to have a fairly good command of the English language, and "Bud's" ability to handle the job is undoubtedly due to his intimacy with the English Department. We remember the time when they all looked alike to him, but don't times change? We are not going to divulge any of his shortcomings, or his hangouts, but we will mention a fact which we heard, that on one occasion recently when he was wanted at the Herald Office, all they had to do was phone a certain place and he was located.

But in all seriousness, we consider him a real booster for M. S. M., and especially, athletics. While he was Sports Editor he kept the Miners before the public, and while we were glad to see him elevated to the Editor's chair we feel that athletics has been the loser.

We are printing this Who's Who at "Bud's" request, although we are certain he does not remember having made the request, since it was made under unusual (or usual) circumstances.

—M S M—
NEW ASSISTANT GEOLOGIST.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Pond, Tuesday, March 17th, at Barnes hospital, St. Louis. All concerned are doing nicely. Mr. Pond is assistant state geologist and is located at the Bureau of Mines. Congratulations!

—M S M—
Mrs. F. A. Howes and daughter Elizabeth arrived Saturday from Dawn, Mo., to remain until Mr. Howes, '41 completes his training. Mr. Howes is taking Highway through the Vocational department.

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ALUMNI NEWS.

Joe B. Cole, '14, is employed by the United Iron Works, Pittsburg, Kans. Joe was a member of the great 1914 football team, as well as captain of the track team during the same year. His other campus activities consisted of being manager of the Athletic Association, and chairman of the St. Pat's committee.

Lawrence Collins, '21, one time manager of the Athletic Association, is working with the Illinois Highway Department at Gillman, Ill.

Chas. L. French, '08, is now general superintendent for the Moreno Construction Co., of St. Louis. His present headquarters are Fayetteville, Ark. Address Box 62.

Fred Grotts, B. S. in '16, and Met. in '21, is a metallurgical engineer for the Holt Manufacturing Co., of Peoria, Ill. He was quite an active man on the campus, being president of the Junior Class, chairman of the St. Pat's Committee, and President of the Athletic Association.

Benjamin H. Cody, '11, and Frank W. Cody, '13, sold out their hotel business in Excelsior Springs, Mo., and both are planning to go back into the metallurgical game. Frank Cody spent Thursday in town visiting the campus.

C. E. Martinez, '02, is now Director of Coahuila State College, Coahuila, Mexico.

Enrique Cavazos, '09, is consulting engineer and City Engineer at Saultillo, Mexico.

S. E. Hollister, '13, is owner and manager of the "Bestone" Magnesite Composition Co., 1931 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

Carl J. Grip, ex-'23, 121 Walnut Ave., Ardmore, Pa., is Manager of the Philadelphia office of Weil, McKee & Co., Bankers.

—M S M—

A. I. E. E. MEETING.

The newly organized local chapter of the A. I. E. E. is showing great strides towards progress and success. At the meeting held last Friday evening plans for the future were discussed, among which provision was made for the holding of meetings. It was decided that the organization should meet every other week, and should hold alternate meetings at the Baltimore Hotel, as it seemed to be the general opinion that the members would be better able to talk on a full stomach than on the empty breadbasket which they are accustomed to possess. Following the business of the evening, which was presided over by president T. C. Adcock, an interest-

ing and instructive talk was given by L. O. Williams on the organization and workings of the Union Electric Co., of St. Louis. Having obtained first-hand information by working at that place last summer, "Len" was able to present many helpful facts about such a corporation, both during his talk and in the discussion which followed. Approximately twenty members attended the meeting, but it is hoped to double the attendance at the next meeting, which will be held the first Friday in April.

—M S M—

THE DISTILLATION OF

ZINC BRIQUETTES.

In his address to the Science Club last Wednesday evening, Dr. C. H. Fulton told of how the man engaged in research and in pure science work only, could assist the man engaged in applied science. He spoke of the first implements and weapons used, all made of rudely chipped flint. Then came the Bronze Age, in which bronze implements were used, these tin. The Iron Age was next. Finally being made of the alloy of copper and we reach the present day when a great many metals are in use. Of these, brass, an alloy of copper and zinc, and zinc itself are very important.

Dr. Fulton spoke at length of the problems confronting the metallurgist in the distillation of zinc ores. The extraction of zinc offers problems peculiar to the industry. These problems, together with many others, are put up directly to the scientist. New distillation processes were discussed, such as are in use at the experimental plant in East St. Louis and at the experiment station at Rolla. Slides were shown depicting the manufacture and distillation of briquettes at East St. Louis. These briquettes, some of which were exhibited and passed around among the Science Club members, are made of sphalerite coke, and pitch. By their use, quantity production is greatly increased.

The next meeting of the Science Club is scheduled for April 8th, at which time Dr. Barley will speak.

—M S M—

JO ANN LINDSLY.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Herbert Lindsly are the proud parents of Jo Ann, a round girl, born Wednesday, March 18th, at Iola, Kansas. Mr. Lindsly is a Senior in Chemical Engineering, and is a member of the Ira Remsen Society, Square and Compass, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi. The Miner extends congratulations.

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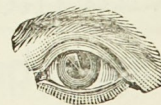
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The question has been discussed pro and con by the Old Timers—most of them think our college educational system is "going to the dogs." I shall try to enlighten them somewhat on this point.

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On entering college today the young man usually has in mind a definite course of study he wishes to follow in order that he may obtain the basic training for the profession he desires to engage in. However, there are always activities—athletics, fraternal clubs both social and professional and other organizations outside the classroom where the student may apply his natural aptitudes to an advantage. It is through these organizations that many fellows really find themselves and get started aright.

If the modern college graduate does not acquire complete mastery of his courses, at least he obtains a capacity for finding desired facts and a knowledge of their proper relations. He has the trend of thought which will suggest a possible solution of the big problems of the future which are sure to cross his vision.

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PROF. McKEE SERIOUSLY ILL.

Word has just been received that Prof. E. J. McKee, assistant professor of Oil Productions Methods, is seriously ill in Tulsa where he had gone to receive treatments. Prof. McKee departed for Tulsa shortly before St. Pats but it was thought that he was getting along nicely until Mrs. McKee was summoned to Tulsa Friday. Although comparatively a newcomer on the Faculty he has made a host of friends by his pleasing personality and has squareness, and it is our sincerest hope that the old Miner fight, which has made him one of us, will not fail him in this his hour of urgent need.

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MASS MEETING NEXT FRIDAY.

Next Friday at Mass Meeting hour the students will be addressed by Rev. Dr. E. S. White of the Church of the Holy Communion, of St. Louis. Dr. White is an interesting speaker and has a very timely topic. The student body should turn out and hear Dr. White's address.

DEAN KETCHUM TO BE HERE FRIDAY APRIL 3.

Dean M. S. Ketchum, head of the Engineering College, University of Illinois, and a civil engineer and engineering educator, is to be the guest of the Wesley Foundation and School of Mines on Friday, April 3rd. The following program has been arranged:

1. Talk to Student Body, 11:00 a. m.

2. Noonday luncheon, under auspices of Student Chapter Am. Soc. C. E. at hotel. All faculty members earnestly requested to attend.

3. 8:00 o'clock address to faculty and committee on Eng. Education.

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